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Museum benefactor Sammy Ofer dies

by Dick Townsend-Smith

SHIPPING magnate Sammy Ofer has died, just weeks before he was due to attend the opening of a new wing at the National Maritime Museum in Greenwich - a £35 million project to which he contributed £21 million.

Mr Ofer, 89, died at his home at Tel Aviv, Israel, on Friday June 3, after a long illness. He had been due to attend the opening ceremony of the new wing named after him on July 12. He had also contributed millions of pounds to the restoration of the Cutty Sark.

Lord Sterling, chairman of the Maritime Museum, said: "We were deeply saddened to hear the news that Sammy Ofer died early on Friday morning. He was a very close personal friend of mine and had been ill for some considerable time and had grown very frail.

"It nevertheless gives us all great pleasure that we were able to have the cornerstone ceremony for the new wing last year, enjoyed by Sammy and his whole family."

Greenwich Council leader Chris Roberts said: "Sammy Ofer's commitment and support to the maritime heritage of Greenwich is almost unsurpassed.

"I am delighted that he was able to witness the progress of both the South West Wing of the National Maritime Museum which will bear his name, and the Cutty Sark to which he also contributed. The NMM expansion simply could not have taken place without his generous support."

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Scaling new heights for charity



THE Supremes had it right. There ain't no mountain high enough, ain't no valley low enough, no river wide enough, to keep me from getting to you. I must say that it does take a supreme and continued effort to commit to fundraising for a good cause on a long-term basis and to keep reaching that new goal, but charities need long-term, driven support and Romax offers just that for Demelza.

In our support for charity as with our approach to business, we continue to strive for better results and improvements, investment in employee training, new technologies and equipment. Last year, Romax won the award for 'Outstanding SME Supporter'. This year we want to do more, after all, complacency leads to failure. Demelza provides an unparalleled service to families in Eltham and Kent. Romax decided to select this charity to support and employees benefit from the feel good factor of helping a local charity. Last year I swam the English

Channel. It took me 19 hours 13 minutes to make the crossing. I can't get enough swimming – on the anniversary of my channel swim in September, I am swimming the 10km River Dart Race in Devon, again for the children's hospice. And this June I am leading a team of 10 from Romax and our sister company Close to Water on the Three Peaks Challenge – Ben Nevis, Scafell Pike and Snowdon all completed in one straight 24-hour period! As Romax has already donated £13k worth of raffle prizes to Demelza this year, and we continue to send employees on funded charity days. Setting enviable and leading standards for others to follow is a Romax vision reflected in by employees. Although charity often does begin at home, I believe that in this tough financial climate we should not shut our eyes to other people in need. As a community we should all set goals to help others achieve theirs. Let's all find a mountain and go climb it!

Robin Sumner
MD at Romax

New project help for the homeless

HOMELESSNESS charity Thames Reach is working with Greenwich and Lewisham Councils to help people find homes. The £40,000 project will aim to broaden access to shared properties in the private rented sector for homeless people, targeting 18-35-year-olds who cannot afford self-contained flats as a result of new housing benefit restrictions and changes to the local housing allowance.

It is intended to help people move on with their lives by both finding them private rented sector properties and supporting them in their new homes.

This will free up spaces in hostels and supported housing for other vulnerable homeless people and make more effective use of available resources.

Bill Tidnam, Thames Reach's director of housing and community support, told GT: "We're really happy to build

on the work that we have already done with Greenwich by helping homeless people quickly into accommodation where they can get on with their lives."

Cllr Steve Offord, the council's cabinet member for housing, said: "We are pleased to be involved in this project to help tackle the significant and growing shortage of decent and affordable accommodation for single homeless people. "Housing benefit changes

mean that many more people will need this type of housing support, so I encourage interested landlords to speak to us and sign up to this important scheme."

People at risk of homelessness in Greenwich should phone 020-8921 2863. Landlords with spare rooms who want to take part in the project should contact Serge Soric on 020-8921 2533 or email serge.soric@greenwich.gov.uk

Cruise control!



LUXURY AFLOAT: the swimming pool and, inset, cabin living area on board cruise ship *The World*, which has been moored at Greenwich

Huge liner docks in Greenwich

by Dick Townsend-Smith

A HUGE luxury cruise liner has spent five days moored at Greenwich Ship Tier, the mooring buoy in the middle of the River Thames just off Greenwich.

It happened last week, while passengers from 'The World' disembarked to visit the town and go sightseeing in London.

The visit put renewed focus on plans for a new cruise liner terminal at Enderby Wharf, the former Alcatel site in Christchurch Way, Greenwich.

The terminal is due to open in 2012 – and 'The World' has already made a booking to berth there for 2013.

The Enderby Wharf project is a first for London, providing capacity for one cruise ship and two Thames Clippers to berth.

Attracting more visits by cruise ships is an important part of the development, and Greenwich Council is working closely with West Properties to take it forward.

Greenwich is the only place on the Thames where a ship this size can moor, greatly enhancing the borough's ability to attract similar vessels.

The development will cover 52,000 square metres of floor space and include a 251-room hotel with conference facilities, plus a gym, training workshops, a crèche, a visitor centre and a restaurant and bar. The liner terminal will be able to take ships up to 240

metres in length, typically with between 800 and 900 passengers.

They will either be beginning or ending their cruises in central London, or visiting the capital en-route to other destinations.

Last week's arrival at Greenwich Ship Tier by *The World* also brought a goodwill visit by the Mayor of Greenwich, Cllr Jim Gillman, who went aboard with his wife Janet to present the captain and crew with a commemorative plaque on behalf of the borough.

Tourist Information staff also went on board to provide passengers with information about visiting Greenwich.

The liner is the only private residential community-at-sea where its residents can travel the globe without ever leaving "home".

It carries about 200 passengers and is split up into 165 private residences – people effectively live on board for part of the year.

Since it first set sail in 2002, *The World* has visited more than 800 ports in about 140 countries.

Cllr John Fahy, Greenwich Council's cabinet member for culture and Olympics, told GT: "Tourism is vital for our borough, and the Enderby Wharf project means we will be able to attract more large cruise ships such as *The World*, which will bring important new business to Greenwich."

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It's 'Operation Harry'!

Parents of Plumstead toddler target £60,000 for life-changing op

A DOTING couple from Plumstead are hard at work to raise the cash to send their son to America for a life-changing operation.

Toddler Harry Bailey was born two-and-a-half years ago with cerebral palsy, and cannot walk unaided.

His parents, Chris and Shane know his condition will only get worse, unless they can reach their target of £60,000 for the groundbreaking treatment which isn't available in the UK.

They've got off to a great start, raising nearly £20,000 in the first month of the campaign which they are running through the Caudwell Children charity.

Mum Shane told GT: "Harry really has got so much energy, but at the moment he's confined to his walking frame so he can't use it all as he'd like to. It's just his legs holding him back."

The lad's condition means that his toes are constantly outstretched and he can't put his feet flat on the floor.

The state-of-the-art procedure at the St Louis hospital in Missouri will see the nerves in his spinal column tested, and any bad or malfunctioning ones will be severed.

Shane added: "The operation will give his brain a clear pathway to send messages to his legs, it will be like he's got new legs once he's had it done, so we've got to try our utmost to give him that chance."

Without the op, Harry will require physiotherapy for the rest of his life, and will probably be in a wheelchair within five years.

The pair's relentless energy has seen them hold events at fairs and fetes, and even a camel racing night, which netted £400 for the cause.

"Because we've had such a good start, we don't want it just to die down, we want to keep the momentum going," Shane said.

Every penny counts, and the Baileys

by Rod Kitson

have even put a swear box in the kitchen to keep the total rising.

Dad Chris, 45 joked: "There's only a couple of quid that's gone in there – and after Harry was in bed, of course!"

Mum Shane added: "He's a right little character - he's even started smacking his legs and saying 'Doctor, fix my legs'!"

"I just can't wait to get this operation done, because as a mum I know, 100 per cent that this is really going to help him."

Shane, 38, is hoping to have raised the total by the end of the year, but Chris is more cautious. "Once we've got £30,000 in the fund we can book the operation, and there will be enough money to pay the deposits," he said.

● To follow Harry's story go to www.helpharrywalk.org To donate contact Caudwell Children on 01782 600114 or visit www.justgiving.com/helpharrywalk



CENTRE OF ATTENTION: Harry with his loving parents Shane (left) and Chris. And left, Harry is preparing for life in the fast lane

Closure on section of the Thames Path

A SECTION of the Thames Path will be closed until later in the year. The Environment Agency is carrying out essential repair works to the flood defence wall at Morden Wharf. Due to safety concerns the path will be shut

between Cadet Place and Bay Wharf. The Environment Agency hopes to reopen the footpath in September 2011. A diversion route is in place via Banning Street and Tunnel Avenue.

Give feedback on plans for 2012 Olympic traffic routes

LOCALS still have time to give their views on proposed measures to manage Olympic traffic over the next few weeks.

The Olympic Delivery Authority has been working with Transport for London (TfL) to devise measures for managing traffic flow through the borough during the Olympics and Paralympics next year. Details of the proposed measures are available on TfL's website at tfl.gov.uk/ORN where local people can also give their views. A series of drop-in exhibitions have also been organised near to the borough's three Olympic venues. The drop-in sessions take place at:

● The Forum@Greenwich, Trafalgar

Road, SE10 9EQ, Thursday, June 23, 4pm – 8pm

Friday, June 24, 10am – 2pm

● Charlton House, Minstrel Hall,

Charlton Road, SE3 8SR

Monday, June 20, 10am – 2pm

Wednesday, June 22, 4pm – 8pm

● Woolwich Town Hall, Wellington

Street, SE18 6PW

Wednesday, June 22, 10am – 2pm

Monday, June 27, 4.30pm – 7.30pm.

This consultation aims to get initial comments as the olympic routes are designed. TfL will soon advertise details of a statutory consultation before the final measures are agreed.

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Prepare your children for meeting animals

I HAVE three children, all who have been using the parks in Greenwich since they were small. They have encountered many dogs, some have jumped at them, some have licked them and some have run away from them!

They have been taught to respect dogs, to ask before they stroke and that not all dogs like the attention of children.

I also have a dog. I consider myself to be a responsible owner, our dog is relatively well-trained and child-friendly, however being a dog is prone to infrequent acts of irrational behaviour.

Why do I feel that dog owners are constantly being vilified in your paper when the majority of us are responsible? Why

should we be made to walk our dogs on a lead (trotting along by my heels is not sufficient exercise for a lively terrier) or be excluded, where once we walked freely?

Perhaps the author of last week's letter should try Well Hall Pleasaunce - no dogs allowed there sadly, not even on a lead. Or alternatively stop being so oversensitive and understand that it is the way you prepare children for encounters with animals and indeed your reaction to situations involving animals that shape and define a child's experience.

We once were a nation of dog lovers, sadly it seems to me that most children are now encouraged to fear them.

K.C., Eltham

What about an area for dogs only?

IN answer to TJR's letter (GT, May 25), quite simply NO! Dogs do not come before children. However, as the owner of a large breed puppy and the mother of two young children I am on both sides of the fence on this one.

As many a responsible dog owner knows, a dog needs to run and exercise (therefore off lead) but I do understand this person's frustrations, as my son, who is almost two, has been knocked over on a couple of occasions by overly friendly bouncy dogs. Luckily, my son isn't bothered by these instances and every time it has happened the owners (as in TJR's letter) have been very apologetic.

Greenwich, as a borough, has a high number of dogs and

their welfare needs to be taken into consideration also. An idea would be for the council to invest some money into making specific dog parks throughout the borough?

Dogs do not need expensive play areas like children. A large fenced space/area where they can just run freely, with peace of mind for both the dog owners and parents of young children, then incidents like these will not happen. Surely this would be a happy medium that would please both sides of the argument?

Sarah Cattermole, Eltham

● BEFORE the introduction of Dog Control Orders in 2009, the council carried out widespread public consultation. This led to measures to balance the needs of residents to enjoy the borough's parks and open spaces and the needs of dog owners to exercise their dogs. The majority of residents did not request a need for enclosed areas just for dog walking/exercise as they wanted these spaces to be open and available for all. However, the council took the decision to prohibit dogs from all children's playgrounds, picnic areas, ball courts and tennis courts to provide dog free spaces for young people and other residents to enjoy. Dogs are also prohibited in Well Hall Pleasaunce which is an ornamental Grade II listed garden. The council continues to encourage responsible dog ownership by supporting initiatives in parks, open spaces and estates. But ensuring dogs are controlled and don't cause a nuisance in public spaces is the responsibility of their owners.

Going up a gear in Plum Lane

LAST Thursday morning, June 2, I was looking out from my bedroom window to see an articulated lorry coming from the small junction of Plum Lane/Kirk Lane in Plumstead, deciding whether to cross over into Vambery Road. Well, he did and I'm calling out "No, no!" but of course he would not have seen or heard me. He drove down to the other end of Vambery Road and thought that he would



be able to turn right into Vernham Road. That wasn't to be, so he reversed back up to where he had come from. I decided to run

down the stairs, smack a bit of lippy on and to get him help from my neighbour Tony (who is an ex-bus driver). but even Tony said, "There's nowhere for him to go."

I asked the driver if he would like a cup of tea - thirst things first! He declined so then I asked him what his plan was. He replied: "I will have to call my office and tell them that I am well and truly stuck."

By this time a small crowd had appeared.

I knocked on three of the doors in Plum Lane to find out whose cars were whose and was greeted by three lovely helpful ladies (two in their dressing gowns) who moved their cars to enable the lorry driver to move on. So a big thank you to them. I cannot tell you the satisfaction that I had in helping a distressed driver of an 18-metre long articulated lorry.

Michelle Green,
Plumstead

Cruise along to Greenwich

I GOT the shock of my life when I went into Greenwich Town centre last weekend only to see a cruise ship docked up on a visit. As someone who loves going on cruises I think this is a great step forward and it is good to know I'll no longer have to travel to Southampton or Essex before sailing the seas to far flung places. Not that I'll be able to afford to stay on this particular ship, The World, with all the super rich travellers on board, but Greenwich makes a great place for other, more accessible cruise liners to also use. There must be lots of people in London and the surrounding areas that would find it easier to travel from our borough. But it will also help to bring in a much needed boost to

our local tourist industry. I mean Greenwich is known throughout the world as the home of time, for our royal history and for many gems like the soon to be repaired Cutty Sark, so it will make

a great stop on any cruise itinerary. Let's hope the big cruise operators are soon a far more regular site in our borough and I can't wait to book my own cruise from here!

J Sykes, SE3

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LYNNE Mohring, Blackheath: a moment of great expectation in Lynne's back garden



GOLDEN JACK: Jack Davidson is pictured with (left to right) GB rower Nathaniel Reilly-O'Donnell, Olympic champion Andrew Triggs-Hodge.

Merry time Greenwich!

by Peter Cordwell

GREENWICH showed its maritime prowess by finishing second at the London Youth Games Regatta at Victoria Docks, on Saturday, June 4.

An individual gold medal for Crown Woods School's Jack Davidson in the rowing single sculls put the icing on the cake, along with a gold in the female quads event for Alicia Buckley, Molly Atkinson, Alice Dwyer and Sorcha Liston-Smith.

Isobel Turner took silver in the female single sculls, while Alice Dwyer and Sorcha Liston-Smith did likewise in the doubles.

Bronze medals in the mixed doubles went to Dominic Smyth and Molly Atkinson. All the rowers were from Globe Rowing Club in Greenwich, leaving the club's junior co-ordinator Peter Smith "proud and so pleased".

Peter told GT: "There were Olympic gold medallists in attendance so it was a very special experience for everyone involved."

Jack Davidson, who lives in Eltham and will be 16 this month, told GT: "It was pretty good, I was quite happy with it really. I started rowing about three and a half years ago and have got more competitive as the years have gone on. In July I'll be competing in the British championships with Globe."

"Rowing is the kind of sport where you get more ambitious the more you progress. I'll compete as high as I can and see where it goes."

In the sailing and kayaking part of the regatta, the Greenwich team was represented by members of Southmere Boating Centre, Thamesmead.

Greenwich's sailors and kayakers also made a big splash, finishing second in the kayak slalom, tenth in the kayak sprint and fifth in the sailing. Team manager Giles Brunning said: "I was very proud. Everyone played their part and the team



SILVER GIRL: Isobel Turner with the two Olympic rowers



SO PROUD: Isobel Currie with Olympic sailing gold medallist Pippa Wilson

spirit was fantastic."

There was double medal success for 14 year old Jamie Grover, who won gold in the senior female kayak slalom and then demonstrated her versatility by winning

Regatta team does us proud with many medals



a silver medal in the kayak sprint senior female cirrus event.

The St Paul's Academy student said: "I feel fantastic, that's two medals I have won. I found my experience at the London Youth Games wicked."

"I really enjoyed it. I've trained six days a week for the past four years. So all the hard work has paid off and hopefully I will have a good chance again at next year's Regatta."

Ten-year-old Isobel Currie, a pupil at Bannockburn Primary School, Plumstead, came second in the Optimist female class in the sailing.

Olympic rowing gold medallist Andrew Triggs-Hodge was part of the medal presentation party. He said: "The London Youth Games is just a great atmosphere. A lot of these kid haven't really done rowing on water before and maybe it's a little bit testing on the water, but everyone is threw themselves into it."

The Greenwich teams were supported by Cllr John Fahy, cabinet member for culture and the Olympics. He told GT: "It was a marvellous occasion and it's great that Greenwich did so well. All the competitors looked so smart in their Greenwich shirts. I was very proud of them all."

'I've trained six days a week for the past two years'

Neighbourhood Watch community fete

BIRDS of prey will be on display when the Eaglesfield Park Neighbourhood Watch Scheme holds its annual community fete in the park on Saturday (June 18). It begins at 1.30pm, and will be opened by Borough Commander Richard Wood. There will be more than 30 stalls and a wide range of entertainment, including face-painting, a children's entertainer, football and mini-tennis. The event coincides with National Neighbourhood and Home Watch Week, which runs from June 18 to 26. The scheme's principal co-ordinator, Jenny Penn, said: "Our fete very much supports the whole ethos behind the campaign, whereby local people are encouraged to take part, meet new people, and build positive relationships and networks with members in our community."

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We arrh on the MOVE

Youngsters celebrate achievements on pirate treasure hunt

A RAGGLE-TAGGLE gang of pirates was on the move when Charlton School went hunting for buried treasure.

Children from the school on Charlton Park Road dressed in pirate garb as part of the national 'MOVE Day', which celebrates the achievements of disabled youngsters.

A treasure map led the group around Charlton Park, and on finding each hidden chest a new item of pirate regalia was revealed. By the end of the search the teenagers had eye-patches, bandanas and hats emblazoned



by Rod Kitson

with the skull and crossbones. MOVE Europe is the UK-based charity which set up the annual event, and whose programme teaches disabled children the skills that most of us take for granted - sitting, standing and walking.

Teacher and MOVE co-ordinator at the school, Katie Chapman told GT: "This is a really fun way for the children to celebrate their achievements - one lad has just taken his first steps today."

"They love dressing up and doing activities with their friends - they are having a great time."

The ongoing scheme teaches the skills of transferring to the very best of each child's ability, and each child works towards their own personal goals whether it be to lift their head independently, or to walk a short distance.

Katie added: "The results we see every day are amazing. It might not sound like much, but seeing your child sit on a normal chair, or stand up by holding onto the

edge of the table, is a life-changing moment for parents of those with severe disabilities.

"To these children, improved mobility means the chance to play with their friends and siblings and to explore their own environment, at their own pace."

• For more information on the MOVE Programme please see www.move-europe.org.uk or contact move@move-europe.org.uk



X MARKS THE SPOT: the treasure map with clues around Charlton Park, left; the group takes a breather, above, and right, Zara on her favourite green bike



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healthy living service

New Website Is Launched To Promote A Happier, Healthier Greenwich

Greenwich Healthy Living Service (GHLIS) has announced the launch of a brand new website that is designed to help Greenwich residents lead a healthier and happier lifestyle. The new site at www.greenwichhealthyliving.nhs.uk is packed full of tips and information on how to initiate positive changes that can make a big difference - these include giving up smoking, eating well, getting more active and maintaining a healthy weight.

GHLIS, which is part of NHS Greenwich, comprises a team of health professionals who provide a range of services designed to encourage and support people to make their own healthy choices. GHLIS also provides information, training and support on how health professionals and others working with the public can be more effective in encouraging healthy lifestyles. Their new, easy to use website brings all this information together in one place.

The new website will also promote the wide range of activities and classes that are on offer across Greenwich - these include everything from cookery clubs to line dancing sessions and are all completely free.

Visitors to the site will be able to find out the latest information, dates and venues as well as sign up for updates in the form of a quarterly newsletter. They can also read about how local people have accessed GHLIS services and been successful in making changes to improve their health. For example, you can read about 'Angela's story' of how she quit smoking for good with free support from the GHLIS Stop Smoking Service.

"We have a very diverse community in Greenwich and we wanted this new site to be inclusive, welcoming and provide something for everyone," explains Ruth Shaw, Deputy Head of GHLIS. "Many people are put off from making healthy lifestyle choices by the thought that it will all be too difficult. Our message is that being healthy can be fun and easy and that small changes can make a big difference. You don't have to start training for the London Marathon to get fit, just taking a walk every day can have a dramatic effect on someone's fitness levels and general mood, whilst eating more fruit and vegetables can have similarly beneficial results. The site will really help people to make positive changes in their lives and aid them in overcoming the barriers that stand in the way of better health."

Call 0800 583 7833 or visit www.greenwichhealthyliving.nhs.uk for further information.

Get together for Armed Forces Day

YOU can get together AND support Armed Forces Day at the Royal Artillery Barracks in Woolwich on Saturday, June 25, from 11am to 6pm. Greenwich Council's 'Great Get Together' Festival will be a free family fun day. As well as celebrating 300 years of military history in the borough, it's a chance to meet council staff and members. And Iraq hero Johnson Beharry VC will be joining the celebrations. Between 2pm and 4.30pm, there will be spectacular arena displays by the King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery, including tent-pegging and a parachute display

team, following a parade by local veterans. On the sports field there will be free funfair rides, dance displays and various taster sessions. Hot food will be available as well as space for picnics. Stalls will provide local services information and you will also be able to have your say on local issues. The UK Armed Forces Day has been running since 2009 and replaced Veterans' Day. It is held in June because the anniversary investiture ceremony for the Victoria Cross was first held

on June 26 1857. Council leader Chris Roberts told GT: "Woolwich has a proud history of strong links to the army and navy, and indeed to all the armed forces through the Royal Arsenal. This autumn we will be starting a new era of army presence with the arrival of the King's Troop to Woolwich, and this is something we want to celebrate." The event is sponsored by a grant from the Ministry of Defence, who will also provide a military band, and the Co-op which is providing a buffet for veterans. ● GET more information at www.greenwich.gov.uk/gettogether

Action stations

Transport hub police save woman's life



LIFE-SAVERS: PCSO Dan Piper and PC James Brown

by Hilary Bryan

WOOLWICH bobbies came to rescue and saved a woman's life when she collapsed outside the train station.

PC James Brown and PCSO Dan Piper were on patrol when a 62-year-old woman suddenly collapsed outside the DLR and BR train station in Woolwich town centre.

The woman, who was meeting a friend outside the station suddenly felt unwell.

PCSO Piper was alerted by a member of the public who was shouting for help. He was only yards away from Vincent Road, SE18 and immediately called for assistance.

PC Brown was also patrolling close by and arrived immediately on the scene.

The woman, who was meeting a friend outside the station suddenly felt unwell and the two officers immediately started resuscitation procedures when they realised she had no pulse. Both officers continued to perform CPR before the ambulance crew took over.

The woman is now recovering in hospital. Both officers

visited her and met her family who were grateful for their assistance.

Paramedics and doctors have confirmed that the actions taken by the officers saved the woman's life by restarting her breathing and pulse which had ceased.

PC Brown, 37, who was a children's entertainer before he joined the Met in 2001, said: "When Dan and I arrived, we knew we had to act quickly. In these situations the adrenaline just kicks in and you know that whatever you do next can make a huge difference to someone and their family. The training just kicks in. We were relieved when we felt a slight pulse after the CPR and we both knew we had done our best."

He added: "This incident just makes the job worth it. If I retire in 20 years and I have done nothing else, I will always remember the day I tried my level best to give someone a chance to live."

PCSO Piper, 24, was a builder before he joined the Met nearly 5 years ago and said: "We visited the hospital today and were able to meet the woman and her family. They were all very grateful. I can't describe it how it feels when someone

thanks you for saving them and when you feel you have made a difference for an entire family."

Both officers are part of the Greenwich Transport Hub Team established to patrol the busy transport area around Woolwich Town Centre. The team of two officers and five PCSOs is funded by Transport

for London and is in place to ensure that the public feel safe in and around the transport network.

Greenwich Borough Commander Richard Wood, said: "This is the Met at its finest. I am very proud. We wish the woman in question and her family all the very best for the future."

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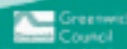
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Application packs may also be downloaded from the school website: www.webfrontier.com/greenwich/henwick
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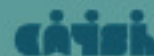
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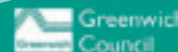
The aims of the service are to

- Provide treatment to young people up to age 18 at tier 2 and 3
- Overcome barriers to engagement and completion of treatment by targeted groups such as looked after young people
- Improve awareness of the service and the identification of need among families and professionals
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The successful organisation will need to be able to demonstrate a proven track record in delivering a similar service and meeting the outcomes set out in the service specification.

Situated at 'The Point', the one stop shop for Greenwich young people, the service will need to work closely with other services providing a holistic approach to engaging and supporting young people.

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Dentist sentenced for deception

A 35 year old dentist has been found guilty of deception and money laundering after an investigation by Greenwich police and Gallions Housing Association.
Esther Hagan Brown of Pennington Road, Hartford, Cambridgeshire, was sentenced on May 17 at Woolwich Magistrate Court to 200 hours community service and ordered to pay £85, after a lengthy investigation by detectives in the Greenwich Financial investigation Unit.
Ms Brown had contacted Gallions Housing in 2005 and explained that she was in need of accommodation. Gallions were unaware that she was in

fact a property owner and was renting her own property. She proceeded to sublet the accommodation that Gallions had provided, making a profit, whilst living in Hartford with her husband.
Information first came to light when a Gallions employee became suspicious and after various checks and a police investigation, Ms Brown was arrested on February 7.
Gallions' chief executive, Tony Cotter, said: "We provide homes for individuals in need of affordable housing and regularly work with the relevant agencies, including the police, to stamp out unlawful subletting and

benefit fraud. This is an excellent example of our joined-up approach. This property will now be let to a household on the housing register. I am pleased with our success so far".
Cllr Maureen O'Mara, Greenwich Council's cabinet member for environment and community safety, said: "This investigation by local police and Gallions means that a property can now be rented to someone who really needs it."
Detectives have contacted the British Dental Association and notified them of Ms Brown's convictions.
● Report suspected fraud to fraud@greenwich.gov.uk

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4th Sat: Shrewsbury House, 10am, Bushmoor Crescent

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GLA MEMBER

Len Duvall (Lab) is the GLA member for Greenwich and Lewisham. Please write to Len Duvall, GLA, City Hall, Queen's Walk, London SE1 2AA; phone 020-7983 4408/4517; or email len.duvall@london.gov.uk

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Contact your MEP at the UK Office of the European Parliament on 020-7227 4300.

Contact Members' Services on 020 8921 5151 for information on the surgery timings for your own councillor.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

THE following meetings are taking place over the next few days in the Town Hall, Wellington Street (unless otherwise stated).

June 16 - Probity&Conduct, 6.30pm.
Children&Young People Scrutiny Panel, 7pm.
June 20 - Licensing sub committee B, 6.30pm.

More information on 020-8921 5130 or www.greenwich.gov.uk/meetings

Tri-mendous

Pupils show thanks for outdoor play trail



PRIMARY school pupils entertained visitors with a selection of songs and recorder pieces to show their appreciation for a new trim trail at their school.

They welcomed Eltham MP Clive Efford, Greenwich's new mayor Cllr Jim Gillman, his wife Janet and local ward councillors to the opening event last month.

Staff, parents and governors joined the children at Gordon School, Eltham, as they celebrated the opening of the new outdoor Trim Trail.

The play equipment, comprising of wooden frames, ladders and linked steps, is designed to improve fitness, balance and co-ordination.

It funded by Clearway Services, a local security and



BOXING CLEVER: Eltham MP Clive Efford, Gordon School head Jason Taylor and Clearway boss Jon Harwood join pupils to inspect the new equipment

waste management company, which heard the school was trying to raise funds for a trail.

Jon Harwood from Clearway Services said, "We are delighted to be able to support the school. We believe that

health and fitness are of paramount importance to children, and being able to provide the equipment they need to enable the children to exercise in a fun way gives us a great deal of pleasure".

Eltham MP Clive Efford cut

the ribbon to officially open the fitness trail and lent a hand as the children got to grips with the equipment.

Speaking at the launch, he said: "I am delighted to officially open this wonderful Trim Trail. I would like to thank local business, Clearway Services, for funding the installation of the equipment that I know the children will get a great deal of pleasure from using. This is an example of how community partnerships can work".

Headteacher Jason Taylor said: "The children and staff of are really grateful to Clearway Services for kindly funding the installation of this fabulous new Trim Trail. The equipment will enhance the children's fitness and enjoyment for years to come".

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Borough BRIEFS

Jimmy Mizen day is now in August

THE community day due to be held in Eltham Park South on Sunday, June 19, to support the Jimmy Mizen Foundation has been rescheduled for Saturday, August 27. It will include stalls, a barbecue and a funfair, and begins at noon. Anyone who would like take part or get involved should contact Tommy Mizen at Tommy@jimmymizen.org or Colin Jerwood at elthamparkcafe@ntlworld.com

Clown around at 'Monty'

A FAMILY fun day will be held at the Samuel Montagu Youth Centre in Broad Walk, Kidbrooke, on Sunday, June 12, from noon until 4pm. The fun day has been arranged by the Kidbrooke School extended cluster, Shootershillians Sports

& Social Club and Charlton Athletic Community Trust. Activities will include circus skills and crazy bike workshops, various sports and children from the school's cluster showcasing their talents.

Blood donor week

AMAZING stories about how blood donors have helped others will be highlighted during National Blood Week from June 13-19. The week is also a chance to thank donors, encourage others to become regular blood donors

and to raise awareness of the importance of blood donation. World Blood Donor Day is June 14 - the birthday of Nobel Prize winner Karl Landsteiner who discovered the blood grouping system. Find out how you can help at www.blood.co.uk

In the line of fire

A STRAIGHT-SHOOTING exhibition is opening at the Firepower museum in Woolwich, this Friday (June 17), writes Dick Townsend-Smith. Gunners Today explains the role of the Royal Artillery in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, and tells the stories of ordinary soldiers who have served there in the front line. The display at the museum on the Royal Arsenal marks the tours of duty undertaken by the Royal Artillery since 1982. This first part focuses on the 'ordinary' soldier and his and her experiences. This includes the development of the guns and technology used during each of the campaigns, and the life of a modern gunner before, during and after a campaign, told in their own words. Future phases of the exhibition will include other campaigns including the Falklands War, Northern Ireland, the First Gulf War, Sierra Leone and the Balkans. The exhibition is due to be officially opened on Thursday evening at a reception for military and civic guests. This is due to be followed by a gun display and a musical

performance starting at 6pm involving the Royal Artillery Band and the Pipes and Drums of 19 and 40 Regiments of the Royal Artillery. Members of the public will be able to watch the soldiers, in combat dress, rehearsing for the musical event in the square outside the museum from 2-3pm on Thursday. During the evening reception Gunner Steven Gadsby of 40 Regiment Royal Artillery, is due to present his recently-awarded Conspicuous Gallantry Cross, second only to the Victoria Cross, to the museum. Gunner Gadsby was part of a foot patrol in May 2009 that came under fire and sustained two casualties. His decision to collect and carry the two injured soldiers individually across a temporary foot bridge, in full view of the enemy, gave the two casualties the very best chance of survival. In trying to rescue his injured colleagues, Gunner Gadsby was said to have displayed the most incredible courage, bringing honour to himself and to the regiment. The exhibition runs until the end of next year. • More info at www.firepower.org.uk

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Building bright fu

SECONDARY school education across Greenwich borough is set to be transformed. Young people aged 11 to 18, along with residents of every age and from all parts of the community, will be able to share in the benefits of the massive "Building Schools for the Future" programme. It is funding more classroom space, plus state-of-the-art sports halls, along with IT, creative arts and media suites, to five secondary schools in Greenwich. PAT GREENWOOD went to see the first of the new-look campuses at Crown Woods College.



ONE of the UK's first comprehensive schools has fast-forwarded into the hi-tech 21st century - and it has moved centre-stage on its own site at the same time.

Crown Woods College is the first project to be built through Greenwich's Building Schools for the Future (BSF) programme.

Its new honey-brick campus now stands tall above Bexley Road, Eltham, where its sports fields used to be and is set for an official opening later in the summer term.

It's a new concept in "small is beautiful" design, comprising four 450-pupil 'home schools'.

Each has multi-use classrooms and space for private study, project work or small group learning, a lecture theatre seating 90, and specialist facilities for science, design technology and arts.

'Ashdown', 'Delamere', 'Sherwood' and 'Arden' have been named after an old house system which once operated at the former school.

The first three home schools are for pupils aged 11 to 16, and includes one for higher ability students, while Arden is a building for post-16 pupils.



There's also a central 'Crown Building', where there are two drama studios and a large performance hall with flexible stage and seating along with a 'William Morris' school for construction, design and technology, art and photography.

The 'Symphony' building includes music suites, recording studios, practice rooms and recital rooms.

Everything is linked via colonnaded walkways and landscaping, including a

large sensory garden close to both the Symphony building and to the Arden 6th Form complex.

The school is fully networked, so that computer-aided learning, on PCs and laptop computers, can take place on in any part of the site. And all classrooms and lecture theatres have an interactive whiteboard.

Now phase two of the transformation begins.

The 60-year-old comprehensive site round the corner on Riefield Road is to be demolished to create playing fields to complement the college's new 2012 Sports Centre. This has a main hall with indoor courts for basketball, volleyball, badminton, gymnastics, as well as electronic scoreboard, changing areas and fitness science suites.

Additional investment by Greenwich Council, as part of the borough's Olympic legacy, has helped to bring the facilities up to regional competition standard for basketball, with flexible seating for 450 spectators.

From the Autumn these sports facilities will be open to use by the wider community in the evenings and at weekends.

The new Crown Woods College scores high nationally on its sustainability design rating. Features include a state-of-the-art "bio-mass" boiler which runs on compressed natural energy pellets made from recycled materials, and the lighting in each building automatically dims if the sun's rays are strong.

Crown Woods principal Michael Murphy said: "The design, layout and operation of the school has been created to offer

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PUPILS who moved into the new building just after Easter, were happy to be tour guides of their new building. GT toured the campus in the company of 14-year-old Ronnie Cooper, and 12-year-olds Ellie Smith and Aji Shotayo, along with the college's deputy principal Stuart Munday. Ellie, from Eltham, told us: "I felt quite nervous when I came in because I didn't know where everything was, but I'm enjoying being in my smaller 'Sherwood' school. "And the name 'Crown Woods College' makes us feel more important." Aji, from Woolwich, said: "I like it that we can use our thumb-print to buy our lunch in the new restaurant." (Registration for each lesson, as well as library use and payment for photocopying is also done by thumb-print). Ronnie, from Eltham, likes the new sports hall - which replaces five



separate gyms on the old site. He said: "If a visiting basketball team comes in, we can now watch everyone play." Each of the small schools has its own head boy and head girl and deputies, as well as the prefects. There will also be a new system of "tutor prefects" which will give students the option of going to each other for advice as well as to an adult. James Morgans, 15, the deputy head boy of 'Delamere', was on work experience with GT during the week of our tour. James, from Plumstead, said: "The buildings are very sleek. My message to everyone is 'Just enjoy yourselves, make friends and don't get worried about all the changes'." "We are all in this together - and it's going to be great!" Sixth Former Sam Parsfield, 17, likes the new 'Arden' complex. Sam, who is studying for a level-3 qualification in Health and Social Care, told us: "I like the tables and chairs for study outside the classrooms, and everything is bigger, lighter and airier." Casey Scott, 18, was in the final stages of submitting the assessed work for her 'A' level photography exam when GT visited. Casey, who is off in

September to study dance at London Theatre School in central London, says moving into the new school buildings has been a real help with her exams. "The facilities are so much better, and it's great to have the classrooms and dark room right next to one another. All the extra equipment made it so much easier when assembling me portfolio of work - it meant I could do all the viewing and enlarging on one place." Deputy Principal Stuart told us: "You simply can't compare the old Crown Woods with this. Staff are massively enthusiastic, this is a brilliant design, and pupils are going up to the top floors and looking over to their old buildings and saying how different it all is." Other major changes at Crown Woods College include a new college logo (a crown topped with tree branches) and new school colours - purple for Delamere, red for Ashdown and blue for Sherwood, as depicted in the badges and in the boys' ties and the girls' blouses. Lunchtime for everyone has been extended to 50 minutes and each home-school uses the restaurant at different times to avoid long queues. Existing community classes continue to run at the new campus, and there will be a public open day on July 9 for people to find out more about the school's growing

School report

- The new school buildings provide accommodation for 1,350 pupils plus 450 post 16.
- They replace the original buildings that were opened in 1958.
- Each school has its own team of 30 teaching staff and its own head and leadership team
- Crown Woods' teaching of English was cited by Ofsted last month
- in a report called "Excellence in English: What we can learn from 12 outstanding schools."
- Each school day starts with a 25-minute 'well being' session, including personal, health and social education.
- Good, secure cycle storage encourages both staff and students to travel in by bike.

The design, layout and operation of the school has been created to offer 'human scale education'

'human scale education' which means there are four smaller semi-autonomous colleges within the site. When pupils first moved to the school after Easter they weren't sure what to expect at first but they have responded well to the human scale of the school. It makes it easier to feel part of the school and easier to find your way around. We'll really see the benefit of that when the new Year 7

students arrive in September."

And he added: "The purpose of our College is to ensure that every pupil and student acquires the skills and qualifications that will unlock opportunities in employment or further education. I want every pupil and student to leave the college not only with appropriate skills and qualifications but as civil, thoughtful, careful people who will contribute significantly to our community and our society."

Cllr Chris Roberts, Leader of Greenwich Council, said: "The new facilities and buildings at Crown Woods provide a perfect illustration of how Greenwich Council is working with local schools to provide first-class learning and teaching facilities fit for the 21st century. Crown Woods has excellent relations with the local community, and this will be further strengthened through the access that the school will soon offer to local people for its superb new facilities."

● For more information about schools in the borough visit www.greenwich.gov.uk/schools



links with its neighbourhood. The college is full for this autumn's Year 7 intake and there is now a waiting list. The new recruits will be coming in for an induction day before the end of term. Potential 2012 students and their parents and carers will be invited to open days in September.

New campuses to come

THERE are four other schools in Greenwich's BSF programme:

- Thomas Tallis school in Kidbrooke is being fully rebuilt, with the new building due to open in Autumn 2011. The overall scheme, including demolition of the old building, will be completed in Summer 2012
- At Eltham Hill Technology College, substantial parts of the school are being rebuilt, and the rest of the school will be refurbished. Work is well underway, and the school will move into parts of

the new buildings from September 2012. The whole scheme is due for completion in Summer 2013

- Plumstead Manor School is being substantially refurbished with the first phase due to be completed in September 2011, and the full scheme finished in Summer 2013
- The John Roan School in Greenwich is due to be partly rebuilt, with the rest of the school refurbished. This proposed scheme is subject to final Government approval of the funding.

GreenwichHomes

Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Edition 240

How the lettings policy works

Housing applicants are placed within 'Bands' according to the Council's policy for letting homes. Your band information is on the letter that the Council sent you when you registered, or when your circumstances changed.

Property adverts say which band can apply and any other criteria. When all the bids are received, the property is then offered to:

For properties advertised for band A and band B - the applicant who has had this priority status for the longest time.
For properties advertised for band C applicants - the applicant who has been registered on the Council's list for the longest time.

Band

- A** is for applicants in unsatisfactory housing, including people moving due to demolition and those underoccupying their homes.
- B** is for applicants the council must prioritise according to the law, particularly homeless people, and others with an urgent need to move for medical or welfare reasons.
- C** is for all applicants on the housing register, including those that are in priority bands A and B.

How do I apply?

Get on the list

First, you've got to be on the housing waiting list to join the scheme. If you're not, get an application form by phoning the Access and Allocations Section on 020 8921 2941. Or pick up a form from any neighbourhood office.

Find your applicant number

It will be on the letter you've already had from the Council about the new scheme. You'll need that number and the reference number of the property you're after, which will be on the advert.

Pick out your ideal property

by looking in *Greenwich Time* or regularly checking the website:

www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes

Click on your preference on the website. If you don't have a computer, you can always use one for free in either your neighbourhood housing office, library or UK Online centre.

Apply in one of two ways

- Phone the 24-hour hotline 020 8921 4340. It's an automatic push-button system and calls will be charged at the normal local rate, or
- Via the Council's website

www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes

The next edition of GreenwichHomes will be available on **Wednesday 22 June 2011 at midday** and will include any Housing Association properties when available. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on **Sunday 19 June 2011**

24-hour hotline

The Greenwich Homes (Choice Based Lettings) Telephone Bidding Line is available in:
 English 020 8921 4340

Greenwich Homes (locations « au choix ») Ligne téléphonique de demande disponible en français en composant le :
 French 020 8921 4330

Có sẵn Đường dây Đầu giá Điện thoại Greenwich Homes (Tài sản Dựa trên Sự chọn lựa) ở:
 Vietnamese 020 8921 4343

Guryaha Xaafadda Greenwich (Guri-ijaar Ku-saleysan kala-doorashao) Khadka Ku-tartanka waxaa laga helaa:
 Somali 020 8921 4345

Greenwich Konutları (Tercihle Dayalı Kiralık Konut) Telefon ile Teklif Verme Hattı Türkçe de aranabiliyor:
 Turkish 020 8921 4347

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Cantonese 020 8921 4370

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Tamil 020 8921 4300

www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes

Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

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Only priority
applicants can
apply



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 69044
Vicarage Park SE18
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Unlifted Rad C/H
Max 1 chn over 10 no pets
£92.26 pw Bands A&B



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 84432
**Mallory Court
Simmel Road SE12**
3 Bed Grnd Floor Flat
Rad C/H no pets
£122.07 pw Band A&B

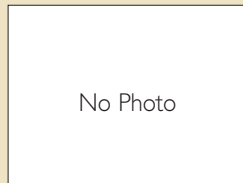


Ref Number: 130147
Barden Street SE18
2 Bed House Gdn
Rad C/H
£103.23 pw Bands A&B

For information or assistance
contact our Allocations Team on:
020 8921 294 | Textphone (minicom):
020 8921 2996
Email: **housing-allocations**
@greenwich.gov.uk
Fax: 020 8854 7212



Ref Number: 130536
Dursley Road SE3
2 Bed House Gdn
Rad C/H
£94.20 pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 131065
Ampleforth Road SE2
3 Bed Hse Gdn
Rad C/H
£103.33 pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 131369
**Thanington Court
Restons Cres SE9**
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Lifted Entry phone
Combi Boiler & IRad
£85.43 pw Bands A&B

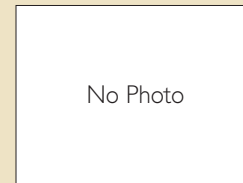


Ref Number: 131589
**Ormsby Point
Vincent Road SE18**
1 Bed 2nd Floor Flat
Rad C/H Lifted
Entry phone
£72.05 pw Bands A&B

**Important
Notice**
Please note the
closing date to
register your bids
for advertised
properties will be
**every Sunday at
midnight.**



Ref Number: 131756
**Thornham Street
SE10**
Bedsit 2nd Floor Flat
Unlifted Entry phn
Rad C/H
£80.15 pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 131794
Kingsman Street SE18
2 Bed 3rd Floor Mais
Lifted Rad C/H
£86.37 pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 132652
Edge Hill SE18
1 Bed 3rd Flr Flat
Lifted Rad C/H
No Pkg
£74.85 pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 132760
Sandling Rise SE9
1 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Unlifted Entry phn
Rad C/H
£83.57 pw Bands A&B



Southern Housing Group Ltd
Ref Number: 132944
**East Carriage House
Arsenal Way SE18**
3 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Lifted Entry phone
Rad C/H no pets
£136.50 pw Bands A&B



Hyde Housing Trust

Ref Number: 132952
Moira Road SE9
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat Gdn
Unlifted Entry phn
Rad C/H Max 1 chn
no pets
£99.74 pw Bands A&B



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 133097
Elliscombe Road SE7
2 Bed Grd Flr Flat Gdn
Steps to front door
Gas Fire Only no pets
£94.62 pw Bands A&B

Bands A&B Priority Applicants

Fewer Bands A&B priority applicants have been bidding for advertised properties in recent weeks.

Please note that if you do not bid on a regular basis you risk losing your priority status.

Please contact the office if you need help in bidding.

Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

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Anyone on the housing list can apply for these



Ref Number: I31227
Stanbrook Rd SE2
Bedsit Grnd Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn
Rad C/H
£67.18 pw Band C



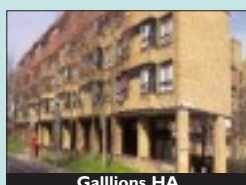
Ref Number: I31751
Griffiths House
Mayplace Lane SE18
2 Bed 2nd Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn Rad C/H
Min 1 child any age
£89.41 pw Band C



Ref Number: I31834
Ormsby Point
Vincent Road SE18
1 Bed 5th Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn
Combi Boiler & IRad
£72.05 pw Band C



Ref Number: I32200
Vyvyan House
Campbell Close SE18
Bedsit Grnd Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn Rad C/H
£77.63 pw Band C



Ref Number: I32978
Whinchat Road SE28
1 Bed 4th Floor Flat
Lifted Entry phone
Rad C/H No dogs
£92.95 pw Band C

Important Notice

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Sheltered Housing

If you are 55 or over then you may consider sheltered housing provided by the Council or housing association. Sheltered blocks have a Scheme Manager on hand to provide help and support if needed. Sheltered housing is a good option for older people who can live independently, but would feel more secure within this environment.

Only applicants over 50+ can apply



Ref Number: I29140
Barney Close SE7
1 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Unlifted Entry phn
Comm G/H
£83.85 pw Band C



Ref Number: I32239
Cleveley Close SE7
1 Bed 2nd Floor Flat
Lifted Entry phone
Comm G/H
£85.61 pw Band C

Rsl allocations policy applies to **Housing Association** properties

Mutual Exchange Swapping your home

Council and Housing Association Tenants can exchange their property with another tenant. From April 2006 applicants who have registered for a mutual exchange will be able to find suitable swaps through the Greenwich Homes website **www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes**. For more information about this scheme contact the Allocations Team on

020 8921 2941

For information or assistance

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on: 020 8921 2941

Textphone (minicom): 020 8921 2996

Email: **housing-allocations@greenwich.gov.uk**

Fax: 020 8854 7212

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Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Meridian Home Start Limited

A new housing solution for Greenwich residents.

Meridian Home Start is offering Greenwich residents who are in employment, the opportunity to live in good quality homes at an affordable rent managed by a responsible landlord.

The company was set up by Greenwich Council early this year to help working families who find it hard to buy or rent on the open market. It offers high quality homes across the borough at discounted rents of around 20 per cent below market rent levels.

A number of refurbished homes have already been successfully let to families, and Meridian Home Start is now releasing the next stage of refurbished family homes.

To take advantage of this opportunity your household income should be at least 21k but not exceed 50k and you should:

- have been in permanent employment for a minimum of 12 months
- have been resident in Greenwich borough for a minimum of the last 3 years.

If you would like to be considered for one of these properties and would like further information please send your contact details to:

- meridian-homestart@greenwich.gov.uk or telephone:
- **020 8921 2516** to speak to one of our advisors.

The closing date to request an application form will be **Friday 24th June 2011.**



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Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

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Sheltered / Retirement
Housing

Sheltered Housing provides independence in a secure and friendly environment. Each Sheltered Scheme has a Scheme Manager who is the main source of support. There is 24 hour cover from the Telecare Service. The age criteria is over 60 years, but we can consider people over 55 years with a support need. If you are interested in Sheltered housing please ring **0208 921 2941**. All applications are subject to a Sheltered Housing Assessment.



Our current vacancies include;
(several of which are ready for immediate letting)

One Person Properties

Eltham Road, Lee SE12, 1st floor, Studio flat.

Garnett Close, Eltham SE9, 2ND Floor, Studio flat.

Sam Manners House, Greenwich SE10, 1st Floor Studio Flat.

Two Person Properties

Eltham Road, Lee SE12, 1 Bed 2 person ground floor flat.

Garnett Close, Eltham SE9 1 Bed 2 person, 2nd floor flat.

Langton way, Blackheath SE3, 3 Bed ground floor flat.

All the above properties are lifted.

This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 237

Address	Bed-rooms	Property Type	No of Bids	Reg date of successful app	Band
Holly Court John Harrison Way SE10 0BL	2	FLAT	60	20/04/1998	A
Holly Court John Harrison Way SE10 0BS	3	FLAT	42	05/05/2008	A
Pitmaston House Lewisham Road SE13 7NG	1	FLAT	292	16/03/2007	C
Leamington Court Restell Close SE3 7RD	2	FLAT		No Elig Bids	
Gildersome Street SE18 4EZ	2	FLAT	14	25/05/2011	B
Westhorne Avenue SE12 9AE	3	HOUSE	127	20/06/1981	A
Thornham Street SE10 9SB	2	FLAT	254	31/03/2008	C
Clendon Way SE18 7DR	3	MAISONETTE	30	13/02/1989	A
Harvey Gardens SE7 8AJ	3	HOUSE	109	07/09/1992	A
Holywell Close SE3 7SW	1	FLAT	93	03/10/1994	A
Milverton Way SE9 3EY	3	HOUSE	133	31/07/2000	A
Church Manorway SE2 0HY	3	HOUSE	58	19/01/2009	A
Barnfield Gardens SE18 3QX	2	FLAT	240	03/03/2008	C
John Wilson Street SE18 6QQ	2	MAISONETTE	32	30/06/1986	A
Shrewsbury Lane SE18 3JJ	2	FLAT	28	14/10/2008	B
Elderslie Road SE9 1UE	2	MAISONETTE	29	02/12/2002	A
Vyryan House Campbell Close SE18 3NE	2	FLAT	9	26/04/2010	A
Tattersall Close SE9 6ES	1	FLAT	171	14/09/2009	C
Slocum Close SE28 8LQ	2	HOUSE	382	20/04/2004	C
Prestwood Close SE18 2BS	2	FLAT	328	16/06/2008	C
Radnor Crescent SE18 2BN	2	HOUSE	148	26/02/2004	C
Tricorn House Miles Drive SE28 0ND	1	FLAT	41	18/01/2010	B
Simon Court Titmuss Avenue SE28 8BQ	1	FLAT		refused	
Wren Path SE28 0DX	1	FLAT	152	18/02/2009	C
Naldera Gardens Westcombe Park Road SE3 7RT	1	FLAT	44	18/05/2010	B
Shirley House Drive SE7 7EL	3	FLAT	21	04/05/2007	C
Mascalls Court Victoria Way SE7 7TT	3	FLAT	290	09/05/2007	C
Crosslet Vale SE10 8DJ	1	FLAT	81	07/02/2005	A

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GreenwichHomes adverts

Greenwich Time is now being published

50 weeks a year and is delivered to all residents.

GreenwichHome adverts are included in every issue.

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Competition

WIN! tickets to Summer Sessions

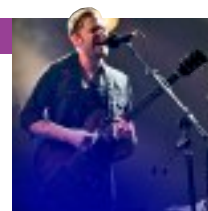
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Music

Kings of Leon make long-due appearance

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Taking Stock

Up-and-coming actor **Ben Stock** divides his time between Charlton and Cornwall, directing, acting and helping students with their own careers. It looks like a recipe for success. Peter Cordwell went to meet him...

WITH some actors you tend to think, a little uncharitably, that they spend most of their time "resting" between roles - and, having flunked the Gielgud factor, don't mind sharing top billing with the sofa and the fridge.

Not **Ben Stock**. He hits you like a walking exclamation mark and you get the immediate impression that if he's not just come from somewhere he's on his way to somewhere else. Our own meeting was put off for several weeks as he arrived back from panto in Hastings then had to shoot off for a lengthy gig in Carlisle, in *Stepping Out* by Richard Harris.

When he's not an ugly sister or the sole male in a class of 10 learning to tap dance, he works for the The Centre, a performing arts college near the Thames Barrier. Not far from his home of 11 years in Woolwich.

And he's not averse to some office work or playing the piano on cruises. Oh, and then there's St Ives. He goes there whenever he can to work with and direct a youth group.

"I've been out of work, of course I have," says Ben, "but I can only remember one week when I claimed the dole."

"We had Jimmy Osmond in the panto at the White Rock in Hastings. Hated the costume, hated the tights, hated the wig, hated the make-up but loved it. It was my second ugly sister. I did it the year before in Wolverhampton with the Krankies, who were great and very generous in giving you some of their good lines."

St Ives calls Ben - who was born in Bristol and went to drama school in Guildford - three or four times a year. "There's a massive youth theatre there called Kidz R Us," he says, "There's 88 of them putting on five shows a year. They get money from the Cornish Government to get professionals like me to come down and work with them." He's been invited to Cornwall



STOCK PICS: Ben is an actor on call (above), and inset, memories of his time in panto



again to direct *Annie*, and is directing *Aladdin* at weekends from October. "I really enjoy it because I work from 5-10pm, so from nine to five I can sit on the beach, have pasties and cream teas, visit galleries, talk to fishermen - *Life of Riley* really!" "It's a long way - eight hours door to door - but I still want to do it for as long as I can. They understand if I get other work and have to miss a day or two." Back in SE18, Ben teaches ensemble singing at The Centre. He also preaches what he practices: "The third-years

are about to leave and promote themselves in the world, so I tell them they have to go where the work is." His own latest example is a day's recording for an audio book. He says: "I play the piano. It's totally random but that's the sort of thing you've got to be open for." "The pay varies but that's part of it too. Next week I'm

invigilating at the Shooters Hill Post 16 campus. I got that after temping there before with office work.

"I couldn't just work in a bar when I'm not acting. That doesn't do it for me."

What did do it for him was a successful audition for the *Dame Edna Show* in the West End after being spotted playing piano (putting himself about again) at the Yvonne Arnaud riverside restaurant in Guildford.

He didn't know it at the time, but it all started for Ben when his parents "battered it into me" to learn the piano.

"In later years it led to acting work because they wanted someone who could play the piano. My teacher was very good but a right dragon," he adds.

"She told us I should have singing lessons and no-one in the Stock household was brave enough to say no."

That led to drama and tap-dancing lessons and to the happy and well-adjusted exclamation mark Ben is today. "When I started I wanted to be a huge star, that's what everybody wants, but really it's always been about the work to me and doing small, intimate things that keep the creative juices flowing."

"Mind you, auditions are still the most nerve-wracking things in the world. They never get any easier."

What he'd like to do next is some TV or radio presenting, and you wouldn't bet against that falling neatly into place at some point.

Meanwhile, he's perfectly happy doing his stuff between here and St Ives, socialising, riding his bike along the Thames Path and doing voluntary work for the Heritage Foundation, which raises money to put up blue plaques for entertainers. "On Sunday there was a plaque for Dusty Springfield. Lovely."

Keep up to date with Ben and view his professional profile at www.uk.castingcallpro.com

Knight in day...

It's joust the ticket



ELTHAM PALACE gets a medieval makeover this weekend when a jousting contest takes place.

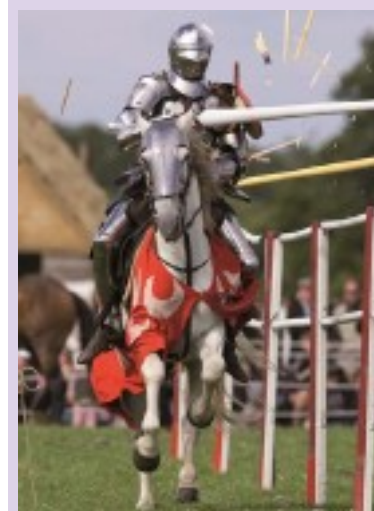
Four knights (one for each corner of England) take to their horses in a thunderous battle of nerve and skill. They are arch rivals who will use their swords, lances and javelins at the **Grand Medieval Joust** on June 18 and 19 at the venue joust off, sorry, just off Court Road. Each knight competing in the joust will be easy to spot in their traditional livery of blue, red, green and yellow.

The winner is the only man left alive...OK, that's not true, but beneath their tin helmets they are men channelling pure medieval rage. Visitors to the English Heritage event can also take part in the School for Fools, and learn the tricks that the period's japing jesters used to keep their masters and mistresses happy.

Children can have a go at the Knight's Training School, to joust in a far more friendly bout on hobbyhorses.

Medieval games including skittles, table games, marbles, quoits, bowling and bandy - like hockey but without the rules - are also laid on at the event.

On at Eltham Palace June 18-19, 11am-5pm. Free entry for English Heritage members, others £12/£10.80, children £7.20. Family ticket £31.20



GOTCHA! take that you thrasonical fleshmonger

AAAAARRRGH! prepare to be pummelled you fiend



FINAL SCENE

Comeback kings

Kings Of Leon finally put in an appearance at The O2, nearly a year after the scheduled gig was scuppered due to unforeseen circumstances...



THE KINGS AND I:
grizzle-voiced
frontman Caleb

IT had been a long wait for **Kings of Leon** fans after a blaze on the band's tourbus put the kibosh on a gig at The O2 some 10 months ago. The Tennessee band made it back to the venue on June 1, and while not making an apology for the delay as such, gravel-throated singer Caleb Followill did suggest the crowd were better off waiting: "I know we were meant to play here some time ago, but I think I'm a lot better looking now," he joked. Without my Harry Potters on, and being some distance from the stage, I can't say I noticed whether the singer was visibly more attractive or not - perhaps he'd been to the gym and had a facial, but with all the strobing and the jumping around it was hard to tell. Clearly though, confidence in the band's camp is at an all time high. Much to the chagrin of KoL's original fanbase, over the past two albums the Southern family band have forsaken the gnarly garage rock for a more stadium orientated sound which has broadened their appeal somewhat. Sold out, some might say. So it was a welcome surprise when they kicked off the set in fine fashion with a selection of material from the first two albums (their best two), playing Four Kicks, Taper Jean Girl, The Bucket and Spiral Staircase back-to-back. It's testament

to the band that they can still condense the same energy into a set of songs they have played for the best part of a decade, and distil the same joie de vivre they had when it was all new and exciting and they were playing the toilets of Britain on their first tour. The transition from Old Kings to New Kings was not completely seamless however. There was a collective shoulder slump from the previously baying mob when the band launched into one of the lesser numbers from their latest album, Come Around Sundown. It was a comedown after the breathless start to the set. The two incarnations of the group are just so different: how can a transition from bearded introverts to The New U2 be completely smooth? It can't. There had been a real effort to change some of the older numbers to fit in with the second part of the set which was largely made up of album four and five material. At times it was successful - a virtual solo spot for Caleb in Trani was honed brilliance, while a rock-steady version of breakthrough hit Molly's Chambers sailed too close to Lynyrd Skynyrd for comfort. The track's quirky charm had been substituted for MOR soup. It was no surprise then that the material from the Kings' pivotal third record, Only By The Night, sat most comfortably in the varied set. The acoustic

guitar-led groove of Fans is understandably still a crowd favourite, and the challenging rhythm and primal howl of Charmer sounded as fresh as when it was released. Perhaps the biggest clue to how KoL's appeal has changed was in the footwear of the crowd: sandals. Lots of people wearing flip-flops and sandals. Sure, standing or sitting at the back it's almost excusable, but this was a few rows from the front. Now, I'm no expert, but I had heard that at the sweaty nucleus of a rock concert there might be the possibility of some pushing and shoving, dancing, and even god forbid - jumping. So it might have been expected that this was to be a sanitised and corporate affair, what with all the beach attire adorning the throng, but praise be, once the four-piece fired into Four Kicks at breakneck speed, the masses went up almost as one, bar a few statuesque tall blokes who looked like they'd been dragged along by their girlfriends. The Followill gang left the stage before coming back for the encore to play the hit that so many had come to see. It was a shrewd move to save Sex on Fire until the second-to-last song, because even before the band had launched into the opening bars of the superb closer, Black Thumbnail, hundreds of black-toenailed sandal-wearers were gingerly rushing for the exits. RK



MEET THE FOLLOWILLS: (l-r) Matthew, Nathan, Caleb and Jared

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Veteran songstress at Blackheath Halls

An El of a gig

I HAVE always loved **Elkie Brooks**. Pearl's A Singer, Gasoline Alley, Warm and Tender Love, I remember them all. So when I heard she was coming to the Blackheath Halls, I rushed out to buy tickets. A frisson of doubt bothered me. Well into her sixties, how good would she be? I need not have worried, the power of her voice pushing back the years, her unaccompanied finale quite magnificent. Success did not come easily to the Salford-born, Elaine Bookbinder, who left home at 15 to follow her dreams. Nearly twenty years of support roles followed until 1977, when finally she recorded the song that was to make her name, Pearl's A Singer. The Pearls album that followed catapulted Elkie to stardom, staying 79 weeks in the charts and making Elkie the then biggest selling UK female artist of all time. Global success proved elusive however, with an over-reliance on cover versions and her preference for middle-of-the-road ballads. Playing to a full house of 400 devotees, the evening got going with two tracks from

her new album, Powerless, and then moved on to her own versions of Chris Rea's, Fool if You Think It's Over, and Procul Harum's, Nights in White Satin. But Elkie is at her best with her own material - her rendition of Warm and Tender Love, one of the highlights of the evening. Comfortable and at ease on stage, she moved seamlessly from one track to another, the velvet-sounding voice as luxuriant as ever, the tones as rich, the rearrangements to suit her range, only minimal. Apart from the obligatory rendition of Pearl, part two focussed on the new album, with an outstanding delivery of the eponymous single. While her repertee was limited ("the shopping in Blackheath is great"), no-one stays in the business for over five decades without being talented and Elkie still has that in abundance. Equally professional is her six-piece band, with Steve Jones on sax and Melvin Duffy on guitar particularly impressive. The venue is unique, the location superb, the community supportive. Quite why the concert halls are not full every night of the week is entirely beyond me. 7/10 DM

WIN WIN WIN!! GSS TICKETS

WEEK three of our six-part Greenwich Summer Sessions competition sees us giving away passes for the night that Status Quo. GSS is part of the Greenwich Festivals funded by Greenwich Council, and is on at the Old Royal Naval College from July 26 to July 31. This time the tickets are for Thursday July 28, when the no-nonsense rockers take to the stage. They've been rocking all over the world for decades, but they began in Greenwich and one of

their first gigs was in Eltham. The grandstand tickets include access to the backstage area. The Divine Comedy and Jose Gonzales are on Tues July 26. Mark Ronson and band are on Wednesday July 27. Squeeze top the bill on Friday July 29. The Pogues are headliners on Saturday July 30 and Chris Difford closes the festival on July 31 with Songs In The Key Of London.

Prices range from £25-£35 for standing tickets and £40-£50 for VIP tickets and Sunday seating. Tickets and info: www.greenwichsummersessions.co.uk



HERE WE QUO: Rossi (l) and Parfitt rock on

To be in with a chance of winning a pair of grandstand tickets to the Greenwich Summer Sessions on July 28, just answer this question: **Which Eltham venue did Status Quo play one of their first ever gigs?**

Comp ends June 19. Email answer, (and your address and phone no.) to competitions@greenwich.gov.uk or send a postcard marked 'Sessions Comp3' to Woolwich Town Hall, Wellington Street, SE18 6PW

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African police patrol Greenwich

Top cops from Ghana come to the borough to observe local operations

TOP cops from Ghana have been seeing how the borough operates its successful Safer Neighbourhoods scheme.

They want to introduce a similar scheme in the Ghanaian capital Accra, and came to Greenwich to see how it works.

Greenwich is twinned with the port of Tema five miles from the Ghanaian capital.

Two officers from the capital spent time on local streets to see how police here tackle the priorities set by their local panels, and take immediate action on intelligence related to the neighbourhood they patrol.

Chief Superintendent Mohammed Suraji and Superintendent Kwame Tawiah went on patrol in Greenwich town centre with PS Steve Henning and PCSO Francesca Ramsey.

Chief Inspector Kevin Hobson who arranged the tour of Greenwich, said: "Our African

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colleagues were shown how the Greenwich West Safer Neighbourhoods team operates in the middle of a busy, worldwide-known town centre, looking after the needs of residents, tourists and local businesses whilst keeping crime down."

Their visit comes weeks after the publication of annual crime figures which show a reduction in several areas of crime in the borough.

Superintendent Kwame Tawiah of the Ghana Police Community Policing Unit, said: "This visit has given us the opportunity to learn how community policing is done with the involvement of all the stakeholders, who join forces to make communities safer."

Cllr Maureen O'Mara, Greenwich Council's cabinet member for environment and community

safety, told GT: "We are delighted that our Safer Neighbourhoods scheme, which the council supports and promotes, has impressed the police in the home of our twin town Ghana."

Greenwich twinned with Tema in 2000 to mark the Millennium because the port is on the Meridian line. The twinning relationship has brought a better understanding and awareness of the different cultures, history and language of each place, and youth exchanges take place every year.

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Royal exhibition at Maritime museum

HISTORIAN and television presenter David Starkey is to be the guest curator of a major new exhibition planned for next year at the National Maritime Museum at Greenwich.

Called 'Royal River: Power, Pageantry and the Thames', the exhibition will feature the relationship between the river, the city and its people, and the monarch, showing how royalty has always looked to the Thames to display their power, patronage and pageantry.

It will bring together a wealth of paintings, manuscripts and rare and beautiful objects, including 49 items from the Royal Collection, many of which will be on public display for the first time.

The exhibition runs from April 27 to September 9, and will be open to the public throughout the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. It coincides with The Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the museum's 75th anniversary.

Other items on show will be Handel's autographed score for the Music for the Royal Fireworks from the British Library, the magnificent carvings from the Royal Yacht Victoria and Albert III, and a collection of artworks



HISTORIAN - David Starkey holds a miniature of Charles II by Samuel Cooper, which will be on display in the 2012 exhibition

by Canaletto. David Starkey said: "The exhibition brings to life the extraordinary and varied history of the Thames as Britain's royal river. This grand street through the heart of London has been a stage for the power and pageantry of key events in British history. Many of the 350 objects to be shown in Greenwich have never been displayed before. Together, they provide a visual feast, highlighting both the drama and magnificence of river celebrations and the fascinating and unexpected stories of Thames people."

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Father and son art to art



IT'S THE NAME OF THE FATHER: Raza Mohamed with pic

TANZANIAN artist Raza Mohamed opens an exhibition at Charlton House this Friday, June 17.

The display is on the theme of 'father and son' and the painter's own son Eddy Raza will join him at the launch from 7-9pm. The painter is revered in his home country, having been commissioned to paint portraits of each of the country's presidents since independence in 1961.

Raza has been painting, illustrating books and designing postal stamps since 1952, and his 40-year-old son graduated from East London University and is also a painter. The show is open to the public until Wednesday July 20.

Entry is free, and wine, soft drinks snacks are also free. For more info call Global Fusion Music and Arts on 020 8858 9497

Stroke victims' new unit

STROKE sufferers in Greenwich can now get emergency treatment during the vital first few hours of an attack at a new acute unit, before being transferred to the specialist unit at Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Woolwich.

The South London Healthcare NHS Trust has just opened its Hyper Acute Stroke Unit - one of only nine in London - at the Princess Royal University Hospital, Bromley. There will be six beds to begin with plans for another eight in the autumn.

Patients admitted to the unit will be cared for by highly-trained medical and nursing staff, as well as have access to potentially life-saving treatments such as clot-busting thrombolysis and high-tech CT scanning equipment. They will receive acute care

for up to 72 hours, and once stabilised they will be transferred to the stroke unit nearest their homes for further care and rehabilitation. It means patients will receive specialist care in the first critical hours after they suffer a stroke but are closer to their homes and families for the majority of their stay in hospital.

Trust chief executive Dr Chris Streather said: "This is great news for the trust and for our patients. Stroke is the second largest killer across London, and the population that we serve has one of the highest incidences of stroke. This unit means we can offer specialist treatment and high-tech facilities locally that will significantly improve outcomes for many patients."

Knockout win for firefighters

FIRE-FIGHTERS from Woolwich Fire Station were the winners of an It's A Knockout-style competition held on Bostall Heath, Abbey Wood, to raise funds for Greenwich & Bexley Community Hospice.

Twelve teams took part in the event on Sunday, June 5, including teams from Plumstead and Woolwich Fire Stations, staff from Belmarsh Prison and a team of hospice staff and volunteers, called the 'Hospice Heroes'. The 'Flaming e-jits' team from Woolwich Fire Station took the title of 'Greenwich & Bexley

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Community Hospice It's a Knockout Champions 2011'.

Community fundraiser Julie Lawrie-Raison said: "It was a fantastic afternoon, despite the wet weather, and the teams entertained the audience for four fun-filled hours. We hope to raise more than £10,000 for the hospice from sponsorship."

The 'Hospice Heroes' can be sponsored through <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/team/gbch-its-a-knockout>

Meanwhile a team of 12 staff from

Greenwich & Bexley Community Hospice are set to begin a tough physical challenge on Friday (June 17) in a weekend of intense training to raise funds for their hospice.

They'll be facing a tough physical challenge on a gruelling workout consisting of circuit training, running, an army assault course and boxing.

The two-day event is being organised by the Kent-based G1 Jane Bootcamp company free of charge. Staff are being sponsored and hope to raise £5,000.

Bootcamp owner Sharon Smith said:

"I saw this as a unique fundraising opportunity – the hospice cared for my mum and dad and I wanted to give something back. We would never have coped with the loss of both our parents without the care and support provided by the fantastic team at the hospice. Mum and Dad's last few days were filled with love and laughter and they were allowed to die with dignity. You can't put a price on that. This is my chance to put something back and help the hospice."

● To sponsor the team, visit <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/team/>

London Borough of Greenwich
Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (AS AMENDED)
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Notice is hereby given that application(s) have been made to The London Borough of Greenwich in respect of the under mentioned premises/sites. You can see the submissions and any plans during the hours of 9.00am to 4.30pm Monday to Thursday and 9.00am to 4.00pm on Fridays at -

Development Planning, Crown Building 5th Floor, 48 Woolwich New Road, London SE18 6BQ
or at the Library shown between normal opening hours.

If development proposals affect Conservation Areas and/or Statutorily Listed Buildings under of the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Area) Act 1990 (As Amended) this will be shown within the item below.

Anyone who wishes to comment on these applications should be made in writing to Development Planning within 21 days of the date of this notice.

Please quote the appropriate reference number.

Date: 15/06/2011

Steve Pallett - Chief Planning Officer

Publicity For Planning Applications

<p>Applicant: Greenwich Steiner School 90 MYCENAE ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7SE Development: Erection of a single storey outbuilding for storage purposes (revised drawings received 12/04/2011 - Reconsultation). Drawing Numbers: 02-210 Rev P4 (revised), Planning Statement (revised April 2011) and Tree Survey and Arboricultural Report received 17/01/2010. Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: WESTCOMBE PARK</p>	<p>Applicant: V. Gough 46 THE VILLAGE, CHARLTON, LONDON, SE7 8UD Development: Conversion of a single dwelling-house into 1x1-bed, 1x2-bed and 1x3-bed self-contained flats. Drawing Numbers: 1207-01, 02, 03, 04, 06, 07 and Design and Access Statement. Library: East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road SE10 0BL Conservation Area: CHARLTON VILLAGE</p>	<p>Applicant: TRUE LAND AT JUNCTION WITH BUGSBYS WAY, PEARTREE WAY, GREENWICH Development: Installation of a single storey portable and temporary change of use of the land to horticultural nursery. Drawing Numbers: Drawing no SH08/55 Nursery, Greening in the Plantain, Design Principles, Proposed Boundary and Access, Travel to the Plantain Nursery, Plantain Nursery Layout, Photograph, Drawing no SC0-06-170-01 Revision A Library: East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road SE10 0BL Conservation Area:</p>	<p>Applicant: Mr D. Mirea 55 MEREWORTH DRIVE, PLUMSTEAD, LONDON, SE18 3ED Development: Replacement of existing front door. Drawing Numbers: Allocated Ref: 001, Photoshoot and Site Plan. Library: Woolwich Library, Caddowood Street SE18 1JL Conservation Area: SHREWSBURY PARK ESTATE</p>	<p>Applicant: Mr S Nirvan 94 HERVEY ROAD, KIDBROOKE, LONDON, SE3 8BU Development: Construction of a first floor rear extension and conversion of loft space involving formation of a rear dormer window. Drawing Numbers: 01 Revised 26.5.11, 01/09/04/E2, 04/09/04/E3, Photos 1-10 and Design and Access Statement. Library: East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road, London, SE10 0BL Conservation Area: SUN IN THE SANDS</p>	<p>Applicant: Mr Hatcher FLAT 3, 19 BENNETT PARK, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 9RA Development: Installation of two replacement rear windows. Drawing Numbers: Allocated Drawing Ref: 01, 02, 03, 04 & 05, Site location plan, Photo Sheet 1 and Design and Access Statement. Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: BLACKHEATH PARK</p>	<p>Applicant: Mr Feistod 188 COURT ROAD, ELTHAM, LONDON, SE9 4EW Development: Construction of a 3-storey building comprising 3 commercial units at ground floor, 6x1-bed and 8x2-bed flats on second and third floors and associated car parking (Outline Planning Permission with all matters reserved). Drawing Numbers: 08/08/09/PL/01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 10 (Site Location Plan) and Access Statement. Library: New Eltham Library, Southwood Road SE9 3DT Conservation Area:</p>	<p>Applicant: Mrs E Lowe 73A FOYLE ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7RQ Development: Construction of a rear mill conservatory. Drawing Numbers: EXT 01, 02, 03, 04, Policy/Design & Access Statement and site plan. Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: WESTCOMBE PARK</p>	<p>Applicant: Mr M Nurm 171D SHOOTERS HILL ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 8UQ Development: Erection of a 2 x 1-bed, 4 x 3-bed and 1 x 3-bed flats with associated parking and amenity space. Drawing Numbers: 1083/01 (Location Plan), 1083/02 (Site Plan), 1083/03, 1083/04, 1083/05, 1083/06, 1083/07, 1083/08, 1083/09, 1083/10, 1083/11, 1083/12, 1083/13, 1083/14, 1083/15, 1083/16, 1083/17, 1083/18, 1083/19, 1083/20, 1083/21, 1083/22, 1083/23, 1083/24, 1083/25, 1083/26, 1083/27, 1083/28, 1083/29, 1083/30, 1083/31, 1083/32, 1083/33, 1083/34, 1083/35, 1083/36, 1083/37, 1083/38, 1083/39, 1083/40, 1083/41, 1083/42, 1083/43, 1083/44, 1083/45, 1083/46, 1083/47, 1083/48, 1083/49, 1083/50, 1083/51, 1083/52, 1083/53, 1083/54, 1083/55, 1083/56, 1083/57, 1083/58, 1083/59, 1083/60, 1083/61, 1083/62, 1083/63, 1083/64, 1083/65, 1083/66, 1083/67, 1083/68, 1083/69, 1083/70, 1083/71, 1083/72, 1083/73, 1083/74, 1083/75, 1083/76, 1083/77, 1083/78, 1083/79, 1083/80, 1083/81, 1083/82, 1083/83, 1083/84, 1083/85, 1083/86, 1083/87, 1083/88, 1083/89, 1083/90, 1083/91, 1083/92, 1083/93, 1083/94, 1083/95, 1083/96, 1083/97, 1083/98, 1083/99, 1083/100, 1083/101, 1083/102, 1083/103, 1083/104, 1083/105, 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Pupils' sport challenge at 2012 venue

MORE than 2,000 Greenwich primary school children take part in a sporting celebration at a venue for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. They'll be taking part in a range of sports at the Royal Artillery Barracks, Woolwich, which is hosting the shooting events in 2012. It's all part of the borough's sixth Sportathon, hosted by Greenwich Council and organised with Greenwich Leisure Limited, as well as Charlton Athletic Football club and the army. The annual sports challenge is unique as no other borough hosts such an event. It runs from Monday, June 20 to Friday, June 24 and is a chance to get children inspired by sport and to look forward to the Games. Former Olympic triple jump world record holder, Jonathan Edwards will also be making an appearance (Tuesday, June 21) and he will be bringing his special jump mat along with the Olympic Mascots. All youngsters receive a medal and certificate for their achievements.

Shuttlecock frenzy at The O2

200 play badminton in world record attempt

AN attempt at The O2 to set a new Guinness World Record for the 'Largest Sports Lesson in the World' fell just short of success on Friday, June 3.

The attempt, led by former Team England badminton star Donna Kellogg MBE, saw more than 200 people of all ages and abilities from all London boroughs grab a racket to take part. The event was staged by Badminton England in partnership with Volunteering England, as part of the 2011 Volunteers Week.

Badminton England is on a mission to get 70,000 new adults to take up the sport by 2013. Its partnership with Greenwich Leisure Limited (GLL) has encouraged the roll-out of new pay and play badminton opportunities at 19 GLL leisure centres in 13 London boroughs. This sees great value 'No Strings Badminton' sessions, aimed at adults of all ages, abilities and backgrounds, being delivered weekly across the capital, including all five host 2012 boroughs and the Crystal Palace National Sports Centre.

The sessions take place locally at the Waterfront Leisure Centre, Woolwich, and The Warehouse, Sports and



Performing Arts Centre in Plumstead.

Mark Sesnan, Managing Director of GLL, said: "We are delighted to have supported the World Record attempt. Badminton is an enjoyable, challenging sport that is suitable for everyone regardless of age, fitness level or skill. We are delighted to be running 'No

HOPING FOR A RECORD: one young badminton player

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LONDON BOROUGH OF GREENWICH ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) THAMES PATH – TEMPORARY CLOSURE (LONDON CABLE CAR)

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Greenwich Borough Council intends to make an Order to facilitate works associated with the construction of the London Cable Car service between the Greenwich Peninsula and the Royal Docks (Newham). The effect of the Order would be to temporarily prohibit pedestrians and pedal cycles from entering onto or proceeding on that length of the Thames Path looppath that lies between the south-east boundary of the London Saxonbury and the south side of the covered walkway linking the O2 Arena and the North Greenwich Pier and includes that part of the looppath indicated by traffic signs as being for the use of pedal cycles.
2. The above prohibition would only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs.
3. Whilst the above prohibition is in operation, the alternative route for north-westbound pedestrians and pedal cycles would be via the cycle path that links Thames Path and East Parkside and lies to the south-east of the London Saxonbury, northward on East Parkside, crossing over Edmund Holley Way and continuing north-westward towards the O2 Arena, then north-eastward on Millennium Way and using the covered walkway to thereafter regain the Thames Path immediately north of the North Greenwich Pier. The reverse route would apply to south-eastbound pedestrians and pedal cycles.
4. The Order would come into operation on 1st August 2011 and would continue in operation for up to six months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. However, it is expected that the works would be completed by 31st December 2011.
5. In 2012, the Council intends to make a further Order under section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 so as to facilitate helicopter operations and other works associated with the delivery of the London Cable Car service. These latter works are expected to require the closure of the same length of Thames Path over one or two weekends in March 2012.
6. Queries concerning these works should be directed to Greenwich Council's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 5576.

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by Peter Cordwell

IT was half term but there was nothing half-hearted about the paralympic sports events held at the Waterfront Leisure Centre in Woolwich for children with special needs.

The sports week was run by the children's great champion, the South London Special League (SLSL), and the smiles on the faces of parents matched those of the young people taking part.

Mrs Jennie Finch, who lives at Plumstead Common, took her nine-year-old son William. She told GT: "This was the first time we had been involved in the South London Special League and it was brilliant, really good."

"William went for four days, 10 till three, so it was a long day, almost like a school day. But I think all the kids thoroughly enjoyed it. William wasn't anxious at all and made new friends."

"The staff were brilliant and Peter McCarthy, who does the powerchair football, has a way of making the children feel independent. He and the others were fantastic with the kids."

"All the children got certificates and had their pictures taken. It really was a special week. From a parent's point of view, there isn't much to do in

the holidays for children with disabilities, so I hope they do it again."

SLSL project leader Sharon Brokenshire said: "These children and young people can often miss out on the experience others enjoy in mainstream sports club, so it's very important to hold events of this kind."

The children had the opportunity to try a paralympic sports including Boccia, Goalball, New-Age Kurling, Table-Cricket and Powerchair Football at the event sponsored by Help A Capital Child. All activities were run by qualified coaches and Sharon was especially grateful to Greenwich Leisure Limited for their support.

She added: "Help A Capital Child funded the whole project. They have been wonderful supporters of the South London Special League over the years and have helped us provide wonderful sporting opportunities for disabled children."

● GREENWICH Powerchair Football Club welcomes new players.

Sessions are held at the Waterfront Leisure Centre on Tuesdays between 4-7pm and Thursdays between 4-6pm.

For more information contact Sharon Brokenshire on 07515 539825 or email specialleague@aol.com

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